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## SOCIETY FOR THE DISSEMINATION OF POLITICAL AND SCIENTIFIC KNOWLEDGE EXPANDS ACTIVITIES

KEABAROVSK DIVISION GIVES LETTURES -- Tikhcokeanskaya Zvezda, No 7, 9 Jan 49

The Khabarovsk Division of the All-Union Society for the Dissemination of Political and Scientific Knowledge, sheated one year ago, has 280 active members and 224 competitors for membership. Among these members are 119 dectors of sciences, professors, sandidates in sofemes, docents, and senior scientific associates, 50 teachers, doctors, and agreenemists, 154 Party and Soviet workers.

Members of the society have given 1,686 lectures heard by more than 170,000 persons, with 620 lectures on social and political themes, 218 on literature and art, and 700 on natural sciences and technical sciences. At the present time, the society is averaging 150 lectures a month, and 100 lectures have been given in rural areas in the last 3 months. (From an article by T. Pavlenko, Chairman, Administration of the Ahabarovsk Division, All-Union Society for the Dissemination of Political and Scientific Knowledge.)

MOLDAVIAN SOCIETY OPENS BENDERY AFFILIATE -- Sovetakaya Moldaviya, No 42, 1 Mar 49

An affiliate of the Maliavist SSR Sedicty for the Dissemination of Political and Scientific Encyledge was open in Bendery. Lecturers of the affiliate will service ten rayons.

The following lectures are planned for March: "The Great Russian People - the Outstanding Nation and Leading Force of the Soviet People," "Marxism-Leaninism and Religion," and others.

Bendery affiliate has started a group of lectures for kolkhoz members at the village Gura-Bykuluy. The intelligences of the village has been invited to take part in reading lectures. The first lecture on the intermational to take part in reading lestures situation was read by Pravenskaya, an active member of the Society and secretary of the Bendery Rayon party committee.

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